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1. Negotiations are underway for the purchase of up to 500,000 tons of rice by Indonesia from Communist China.
2. The Chinese want the Indonesians to make the payments in US dollars, the money to remain in Indonesia as credit for Chinese purchases of other commodities.

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Comment. Other sources have reported that Indonesia anticipated purchasing from various countries in 1951 a total of 450,000 metric tons of rice. See also [REDACTED].

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